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In re Application of :
Robert H. Rines et al. :
Application No. 09/827,102 :
Filed: April 5, 2001 :
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed March 22, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is Granted.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner in reply to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed May 11, 2001. The Notice set a period for reply of Two (2) months from the mail date of the Notice. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 have been obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on July 12, 2001.

37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. If the statement contained in the instant petition varies from the language required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3), the statement contained in the instant petition is being construed as the statement required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) and petitioner must notify the Office if this is not a correct interpretation of the statement contained in the instant petition.

The application file is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination Division for further processing.

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